



Chickasaw County 4-H



Record Keeping Awards Application and Evaluation Form For Seniors

Please complete this form and place on top of your 4-H record keeping forms. Indicate for which awards you are applying. A complete list of awards is on the back of this page. *This application reflects your past year's 4-H work.*

Member's Name: _____

Club: _____

I am applying for the following awards:

- _____ Record Book Completion
- _____ Project Award(s) (circle on list attached):
- _____ Outstanding 4-H'er Award
- _____ Senior Achievement Awards
 1. _____
 2. _____
 3. _____

Requirements for submitting record books:

- Complete record book in suggested order.
- Complete and demonstrate competency in at least one project record.
- **Submit current year plus up to two previous years' records, especially for those project areas in which you are applying for an award.**
- May receive each individual project award only once as an intermediate and once as a senior.
- Livestock project area records must include 4-H market/breeding animal worksheets to show feed rations, vet care, and cost analysis.
- Submit record books to Extension Office by September 15.

Record Keeping Evaluation Form

To be completed by Record Keeping Review Committee

E=Excellent

G=Good

NI=Needs Improvement

I=Incomplete

50% or more of Excellent and Good ratings warrants receipt of respective project award.

Organization and Appearance	E	G	NI	I
Record book in suggested order				
Records neatly done				
Proper spelling and grammar				
Cover page complete				
Yearly Summary complete				
Completed at least one project record				
Support information neat and orderly				
Evidence of communications activity				
Evidence of service or leadership activity				
_____ Project	E	G	NI	I
ART Goals are used: Action, Result, Timetable				
Member shows progress toward meeting goals				
Costs of project shown				
Member reflects how learned skills can be used in the future				
Support material present				

_____ Project	E	G	NI	I
ART Goals are used: Action, Result, Timetable				
Member shows progress toward meeting goals				
Costs of project shown				
Member reflects how learned skills can be used in the future				
Support materials present				
_____ Project	E	G	NI	I
ART Goals are used: Action, Result, Timetable				
Member shows progress toward meeting goals				
Costs of project shown				
Member reflects how learned skills can be used in the future				
Support materials present				
Overall Comments:				
Member Recommended for the following awards:				



List of Record Keeping Awards and Definition of Terms



Seniors may apply for up to five (5) of the following awards with the understanding that Citizenship & Leadership has to be included with each project area (please list on front of this page):

Seniors will receive a plaque and/or bar. Individual Project Awards can only be received once as a Senior. Members must be enrolled in the project area in order to receive an award.

A Certificate of Recognition is available for members choosing not to apply for a project award or for members who have already received all project awards for which they are interested at their age level.

Animal Science	Crop Production	Health	Outdoor Adventures	Sewing & Needle Art
Beef	Dairy Cattle	Home Improvement	Pets	Sheep
Child Development	Digital Storytelling	Horse & Pony	Photography	Shooting Sports
Citizenship	Dog	Horticulture	Poultry	Swine
Clothing & Fashion	Environment	Leadership	Rabbits	Vet Science
Communication	Food & Nutrition	Mechanics	Science, Eng. & Tech	Visual Arts
Consumer Mgmt	Goats	Music	Self-Determined	Woodworking

Requirements

1. Completed record keeping forms: Cover Page, Yearly Summary, Project Record form, Project Worksheets as necessary (example: livestock), support materials.
2. Records due Sept. 15th to the Extension Office.
3. May receive individual project award once as an Intermediate and once as a Senior.
4. Enrolled in project during current 4H year.
5. Has been enrolled in project 2+ yrs to show growth. These records need to be present in your record book.
6. **Seniors** – records must show evidence of leadership and citizenship in award area.
7. Livestock awards require market/breeding animal worksheets if applying for those awards.

Definition of Terms

Local = your 4-H Club

Area = involves 4-Hers from neighboring counties

County = involves other Chickasaw County 4-H'ers

State = involves 4-H'ers from all counties in Iowa

Citizenship/Service refers to helping others or working for the benefit of others or the community for no pay. The primary goal is to benefit someone else. On the club level citizenship examples might include: host a meeting, lead pledges, serve on a committee, work on club service project or fund raising, 4-Hers for 4-H donation, National 4-H Week Promotion.

Communication is writing, talking to, or showing others in order to share ideas, knowledge, or skills. Club communications examples could include: answering roll call, club presentations, making posters to promote a club fund raiser, community service project, etc.

Leadership is helping a group attain its goals. It is taking the lead in giving direction, planning and organizing. Leadership is where the 4-H'er shares a skill or shows how to do something for another 4-H'er, your club and others. Examples include: being a club officer, teaching other club members how to complete 4-H records, club fund raising committee member (any committee), jr. camp counselor, served on a project development committee (maybe for county/state level), served on fair booth committee or helped decorate club booth, helped keep score at county softball tournament or teach others how to play, help record information at county livestock weigh-in, recruit new members, serve on 4-H County Council, help 4-H'er plan a presentation, plan a club tour, trip, or activity, plan club's yearly program, teach new members the 4-H pledge and motto, teach other 4-H'ers how to groom and correctly lead their calf or tie-dye a shirt.

OVERALL SENIOR ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

- Requires 4-H'ers to have three or more years in the 4-H program.
- May receive each of the following awards only once.
- **May apply for three (3) Senior Achievement Awards per year.**

Complete record book in suggested order and demonstrate competency in project record(s).

___ Check here if you are submitting 5 pages of written 4-H record book support material.

___ OR check here if you would like to participate in a 15-minute county 4-H interview.

What is Support Material? Material should be set-up like a portfolio for a job interview. The first page should highlight features for the awards you are applying for. Next you could include a project sheet from your book, report on your project, and/or worksheets as support material. The judge should be able to look at the information and have a good understanding of who you are and what you have done in your 4-H career in the past, present, and plans for the future. Be creative on sharing your story!

Award	Description	Grades
Achievement in 4-H Experience	Attain knowledge of 4-H programs and contribution to improve family and community living.	9 th - 12 th last year
Achievement in Agriculture	Develop knowledge and respect for agriculture and its importance to communities (i.e. crops, livestock, foods, gardening, etc.).	9 th - 12 th last year
Achievement in Citizenship	Demonstrates social responsibility, respect, and responds to the needs of others.	9 th - 12 th last year
Achievement in Leadership	Strengthens local 4-H clubs in leadership, responsibilities, and encouragement of other youth.	9 th - 12 th last year

Outstanding 4-H'er Award

Criteria for being considered for Outstanding 4-H'er Award:

1. High School junior or senior.
2. Current evidence of record keeping, must turn in all years of records, to Extension Office by Sept. 15th.
 - *Please note that you are applying for the Outstanding 4-H'er award on your Record Book so the judges know you are including additional years' records for this reason.
3. Has been active in 4-H program beyond the club level (camps, workshops/programs, fair, etc.).
4. May receive only once.
5. Eligible candidates may be contacted for an interview (if this process needs to be done, youth will be notified of an interview time.)